

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 4004

56th Legislature
1999 Regular Session

Passed by the House March 8, 1999
Yeas 97 Nays 0

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 6, 1999
Yeas 47 Nays 0

President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

We, Dean R. Foster and Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 4004** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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Secretary of State
State of Washington

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By Representatives Dickerson, Cody, Skinner, O'Brien, Voloria, Kessler, McIntire, Wood, Lovick, Romero, Conway, Ruderman, Hurst and Kenney

Read first time 01/20/1999. Referred to Committee on Health Care.

1 TO THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CLINTON, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
2 STATES, AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
3 OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
4 THE UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:

5 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
6 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully
7 represent and petition as follows:

8 WHEREAS, Prostate cancer is the second most common form of cancer
9 in men; and

10 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that, in 1998, in
11 the United States, approximately two hundred ten thousand new cases of
12 prostate cancer were diagnosed and approximately forty-two thousand
13 American men died of prostate cancer; and

14 WHEREAS, With an estimated nine million American men currently
15 afflicted, prostate cancer amounts to an epidemic in the United States;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, African-American men have the highest incidence of
18 prostate cancer of any population of men in the world today; and

19 WHEREAS, The number of prostate cancer cases successfully diagnosed
20 has increased significantly over the past thirty-five years, partly as

1 a result of the widespread use of improved screening techniques,
2 including screening for the prostate cancer antigen; and

3 WHEREAS, Awareness needs to be strengthened, to alert men of ages
4 fifty and above to the risk of and treatments for prostate cancer; and

5 WHEREAS, Significantly more research is needed to determine the
6 causes and most effective treatments for prostate cancer; and

7 WHEREAS, The National Prostate Cancer Coalition, a network of
8 prostate cancer patients' advocates and support organizations, has
9 presented five hundred thousand signatures to the United States
10 Congress and the President, urging increased research funding for
11 prostate cancer;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United
13 States support increased federal funding for prostate cancer research.

14 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
15 transmitted to the Honorable William J. Clinton, President of the
16 United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker
17 of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the
18 State of Washington.

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